

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
	10/717,250	EVANS, MARTIN	
	Examiner	Art Unit	
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All Participants:

(1) Alexa D. Neckel.

(2) Keith Taboada.

Status of Application: under non-final rejection

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Date of Interview: 25 October 2006

Time: _____

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☒ No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:
none

Claims discussed:
1-26

Prior art documents discussed:
6,508,930 and 2,616,591

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:
See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

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PRIMARY EXAMINER


(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner proposed a first amendment (attached) that was accepted, but upon further consideration proposed a second amendment (attached), to include limitations to claim 1, which was not accepted by the applicant. The examiner also proposed canceling claims 1-9 and 21-26 and allow claims 10-20 with the proposed amendments. This was not accepted. .

FIRST PROPOSED EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

The application has been proposed to be amended as follows:

In claim 10, line 2 of the claim, deleted "and".

In claim 10, line 4 of the claim, deleted "chambers." and inserted

--- compartments; and

a plenum positioned within the vessel fluidly and coupled to the compartments. ---.

In claim 16, line 3 of the claim, deleted "a" and inserted ---wherein the ---.

In claim 16, lines 3-4 of the claim, deleted "and fluidly coupled to the compartments" .

Claims 21-26 are cancelled.

Claim 10 is proposed to be amended to bring in the language directed to the plenum, similarly to claim 1 which the examiner finds is not suggested by the prior art. Additionally, changing "chambers" to "compartments" provided proper antecedent basis for the dependent claims.

Claims 21-26 are proposed to be cancelled in view of col. 7, lines 19-55 of 6,508,930 (applied to similar subject matter in 10/445,453), which has not yet been made of record.

Please call after you have had a chance to consider this amendment.

Thank you,

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SECOND PROPOSED EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

The application has been proposed to be amended as follows:

In claim 1, after line 4 of the claim, inserted --- catalyst stored within the at least two compartments; ---.

In claim 10, line 2 of the claim, deleted "and".

In claim 10, line 4 of the claim, deleted "chambers." and inserted

--- compartments; and

a plenum positioned within the vessel fluidly and coupled to the compartments. ---.

In claim 16, line 3 of the claim, deleted "a" and inserted ---wherein the ---.

In claim 16, lines 3-4 of the claim, deleted "and fluidly coupled to the compartments" .

Claims 21-26 are cancelled.

Claim 1 has additionally been proposed to be amended so as to positively recited having a catalyst so as to distinguish over other dispensing related art, such as U.S. Patent No. 2,616,591 to Haugen.

Please call after you have had a chance to consider this change to claim 1 along with the remainder of the approved amendments. I will be out of the office from Friday, October 27th and returning on Monday, November 6, so if it is possible to get a response by this Thursday morning, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

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